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By: **Senator Della**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Nonresidential Real Estate Brokers - Continuing Education - Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that certain continuing education requirements for  
4 certain real estate brokers may be satisfied by certain courses; and generally  
5 relating to continuing education for real estate brokers.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article - Business Occupations and Professions  
8 Section 17-315(a)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

14 17-315.

15 (a) (1) To qualify for renewal of a license under this subtitle, a licensee shall  
16 complete:

17 (i) in the license term that begins in 1992, at least 12 clock hours of  
18 continuing education instruction, as provided in this section, during each 2-year  
19 license term; and

20 (ii) in and after the license term that begins in 1996, at least 15  
21 clock hours of continuing education instruction, as provided in this section, during the  
22 preceding 2-year term.

23 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection:

24 (i) a licensee who is granted a license during the second year of a  
25 license term may renew a license for the next full term without complying with the  
26 continuing education requirements of this section; and

1                   (ii)       a licensee who has been licensed for 10 years or more may  
2 satisfy the continuing education requirements and renew a license for the next full  
3 term by completing 6 clock hours of continuing education instruction that outlines  
4 relevant changes that have occurred in federal, State, or local laws, or any  
5 combination of those laws.

6                   (3)       OF THE 6 CLOCK HOURS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(II) OF  
7 THIS SUBSECTION, 1.5 CLOCK HOURS MAY BE SATISFIED BY A COURSE REGARDING  
8 FAIR HOUSING LAWS AND REGULATIONS OR THE FEDERAL AMERICANS WITH  
9 DISABILITIES ACT FOR A LICENSEE WHO PROVIDES REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE  
10 SERVICES SOLELY IN CONNECTION WITH NONRESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE.

11       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 2004.